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## Via Electronic Filing

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W., Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

## **Re:** Ex Parte Presentation

Service Rules for the Advanced Wireless Services H Block – Implementing Section 6401 of the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 Related to the 1915-1920 MHz and 1995-2000 MHz Bands, WT Docket No 12-357.

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On February 15, 2013, Lawrence Krevor, Vice President, Government Affairs; Richard Engelman, Director, Government Affairs; and the undersigned, all of Sprint Nextel Corporation ("Sprint"), met with John Leibovitz, Janet Young, Jeremy Marcus, Kevin Holmes, Matthew Pearl, and Brian Regan of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Michael Ha of the Office of Engineering and Technology.

During that meeting, Sprint reiterated points consistent with its Comments in the above-captioned proceeding. Specifically, Sprint expressed its continued interest in seeing the AWS H Block ("H Block") auctioned quickly by the Commission, with appropriate technical rules to allow robust mobile broadband use without causing harmful interference to core PCS communications. Recent independent testing and analysis commissioned by Sprint indicate that prior interference concerns with the H Block uplink (1915-1920 MHz) have been alleviated by advances in device and equipment technology. As a result, the Commission can successfully auction the H Block for flexible mobile use with reasonable power and out-of-band emissions ("OOBE") limits.

In response to questions posed by Commission staff, Sprint also described generally the methodology and scope of the third-party tests Sprint commissioned to evaluate the potential impact of H Block transmissions under various operating scenarios. In particular, Sprint explained that independent testing by V-COMM covered a variety of Sprint devices in order to determine the potential for: 1) receiver blocking in the PCS A Block; 2) intermodulation and receiver blocking in the PCS B Block; and 3) OOBE interference in the PCS A Block. Sprint anticipates filing the report regarding V-COMM's test results in the near future.

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Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, this letter is being electronically filed with your office. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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